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SUBJECT: DUTCH RESPONSE: AFGHAN OOC VOTING AND G-8 AFGHAN SECURITY WORKING GROUP

REF: A. (A) STATE 195819

[¶](#)B. (B) STATE 189313

Classified By: POL Counselor Andrew Schofer for reasons 1.4 (B/D)

[¶](#)1. (C) Poloff spoke to Wilfred Mohr, Head of South Asia Division, on September 13 to inquire about Dutch/EU plans for monitoring out of country registration and voting in Iran and Pakistan (ref A). Mohr responded that the EU expected to involve its embassies in the process, but had not yet established a specific plan. He took note of U.S. encouragement of an "EU-plus-friends" effort in Pakistan and Iran, and said that the Dutch would be open to considering participation in such a plan. Mohr suggested that that the topic could be raised at the September 16 conference call with UNAMA (in which Embassy understands SA Ambassador Maureen Quinn is a participant, along with G-8 countries and the European Commission) to garner greater support for and coordination of the initiative.

[¶](#)2. (U) Mohr also confirmed that he plans to attend the G-8 Afghan Security Working Group Meeting on September 23 in New York (ref B).

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